

**Amendments to the Specification:**

Please amend the specification as follows:

Please replace the paragraph at page 9, lines 14-20 with the following amended paragraph:

Standard techniques are available to one of ordinary skill in the art for the design and performance of assays that can detect induction and/or inhibition of a cellular activity mediated by any TLR. Suitable techniques are described, for example, in U.S. Patent Publication No. US 2004/0014799 A1; U.S. Patent Publication No. US 2004/0132079 A1~~Application Ser. No. 10/732,563, filed December 10, 2003~~; U.S. Patent Publication No. US 2004/0197865 A1~~Application Ser. No. 10/732,796, filed December 10, 2003~~; and U.S. Patent Publication No. US 2004/0162309 A1~~Application Ser. No. 10/777,310, filed February 12, 2004~~.